Abstract

Human beings have choice to choose their company, they can make friends of their own choice but it is not applicable in case of siblings. Siblings put vital role in making person's personality and other areas of life (Fortuna et al., 2011). The motive of current study was to explore and investigate potential influence of personality traits, parental favoritism and subjective well-being on sibling relationship in a sample of adult students (N = 355). It was hypothesized that there would be significant positive correlation among openness to experience, extroversion, subjective well-being and sibling warmth and negative relationship between subjective well-being and sibling conflict. The study followed a correlational research design and survey methodology. For the measurement, Adult Sibling Relationship Questionnaire (Stocker et al., 1997), Mini-International Personality Item Pool ((Donnellan et al., 2006) and Satisfaction with life scale (Diener et al., 1985) standardized instrument were used respectively. Overall, results showed positive relationship among openness to experience, extroversion, subjective well-being and sibling warmth and negative relationship among subjective-well-being and sibling conflict. Results also indicate significant gender differences on personality traits and sibling conflict. The results were explained with regard to practical implements as well as future directions.

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